

SABOTAGE THEORY IN CHAKSANG EXPLOSION

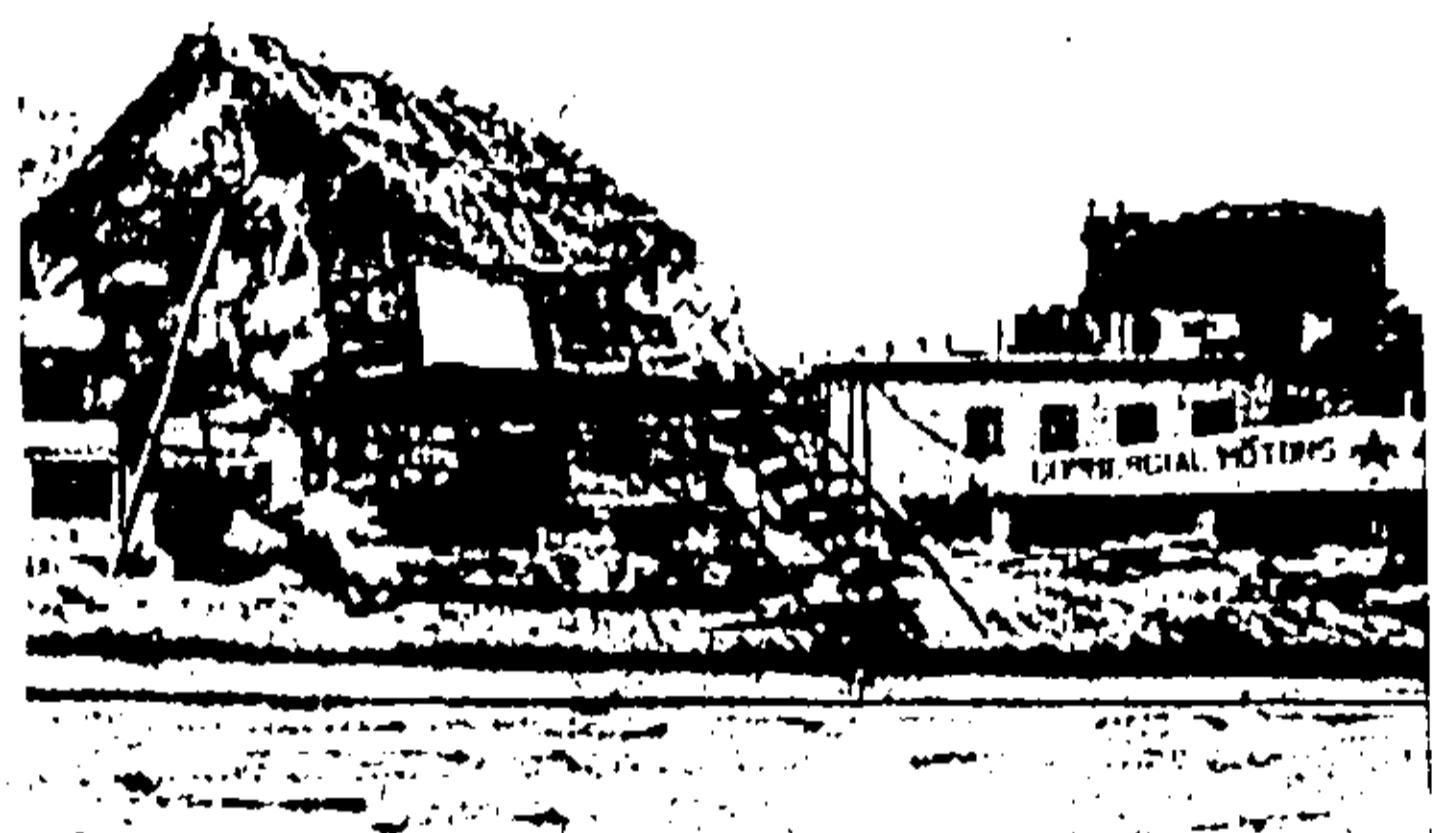
Typhoon Balked Efforts To Put Out Fire FOURTEEN MISSING

Sabotage by certain elements is one of the theories being investigated by the authorities concerned in connection with the explosion which wrecked the ss. Chaksang on Wednesday night, the "China Mail" learned yesterday.

As reported yesterday by the "China Mail", there were no passengers on board the Chaksang which was due to leave Hong Kong yesterday for the North. This was officially confirmed.

The Chaksang carried a complement of 75. Fourteen Chinese crew were still missing yesterday, according to an official statement by Jardine, Matheson and Company, Limited, agents for the vessel.

Just One More Puff



This contractor's hut in Happy Valley was still standing after Wednesday night's blow—but only just. It was tilted to an alarming angle by the typhoon. See pages 2 and 3 for other typhoon photos. ("China Mail" photo).

Red Threat To Amoy Increased

Canton, September 8.
The Communist threat to the South East China port of Amoy has increased. The Reds are reported to be less than 20 miles from the city.

More than one-third of the inhabitants of Amoy have evacuated. The remainder are uneasy.

Many families intend to move across to Kulangsu Island, where the foreign community resides.

The city of Amoy is crowded with soldiers, many of whom are newly arrived to reinforce the garrison.

They are commanded by General Tang En-pu, the defender of Shanghai.

His headquarters is functioning at the Amoy University.

The Army authorities have arrested 200 persons suspected of subversive activities. These include two professors and seven students of this University.

The Government military spokesman here said today that the Red General Chen Yi's 29th

The statement added that the majority of the missing crew are engine room staff. It was still hoped last night that some may have been picked up by other craft when have been unable to report on account of the typhoon weather.

One of the survivors, Mr. T. Y. Yuan, the third mate, was seriously injured. He is under treatment at the Kowloon Hospital.

The "China Mail" learned that one of the quartermasters of the ss. Chaksang swam safely to shore.

He swam from the burning ship to the island where he was picked up and given a change of clothing and some food.

He turned up at the head office of the company before 9 a.m. yesterday with a Chaksang life-belt strung across his shoulder.

14 Missing

Police sources yesterday confirmed that 14 of the crew are missing. The total figure of the number of persons on board the ship when the explosion occurred was given as 75. The same sources said that 61 survivors have been accounted for.

Thanks to the efforts of the marine police about 8 survivors of the Chaksang were, according to Chief Inspector W. MacLaurd, picked up during the typhoon in the small hours of Thursday morning.

Some of the survivors who wore pyjamas and had no rocks or shoes were still in the Tsimshatsui police station of noon yesterday.

According to one Tsimshatsui sailor, he was sleeping in his bunk when the terrific explosion occurred.

The shock was so great that I was thrown over my bunk and for a split second I was on the cabin floor wondering what had happened the sailor continued.

Then he felt heat all around him. Seconds later he found himself together with others going up the ladders for the deck.

Once on the deck, he felt cold and realized that he had on only his underwear. He dashed down to his cabin, which was by that time filled with smoke, and managed to get a canvas handbag from his cabin.

He later complained that due to confusion he had taken the wrong bag. That bag had contained articles which were of not much use to him at the moment.

Draging large suitcases were two other Tsimshatsui survivors of the Chaksang vessel.

Dressed in newly pressed trousers and shirts, apparently just salvaged from the suitcase, the pair, like the rest, wore no shoes and socks.

This pair said that most of the vessel's deck hands were rescued, but some of the firemen and stokers who were below the might have met their deaths.

They said that during the confusion they forgot all about the typhoon. It seemed to them that it was more horrible than being drowned in the harbour.

Sea Of Flame

Mr. C. W. Brand, Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade, said when he arrived near the Chaksang on Wednesday in the boat No. 1 with Mr. Brook and Station Officer C. W. Browne, the vessel was a bloodless coup.

Chiang was reported trying to persuade Lu that the Nationalist cause is not lost, that the government will win, and it is to his interest to support the civil war.

Premier Yen Hsia-shan flew from Canton to Chungking. Presumably he will act as mediator between Chiang and Lu. (Reuters and Associated Press.)

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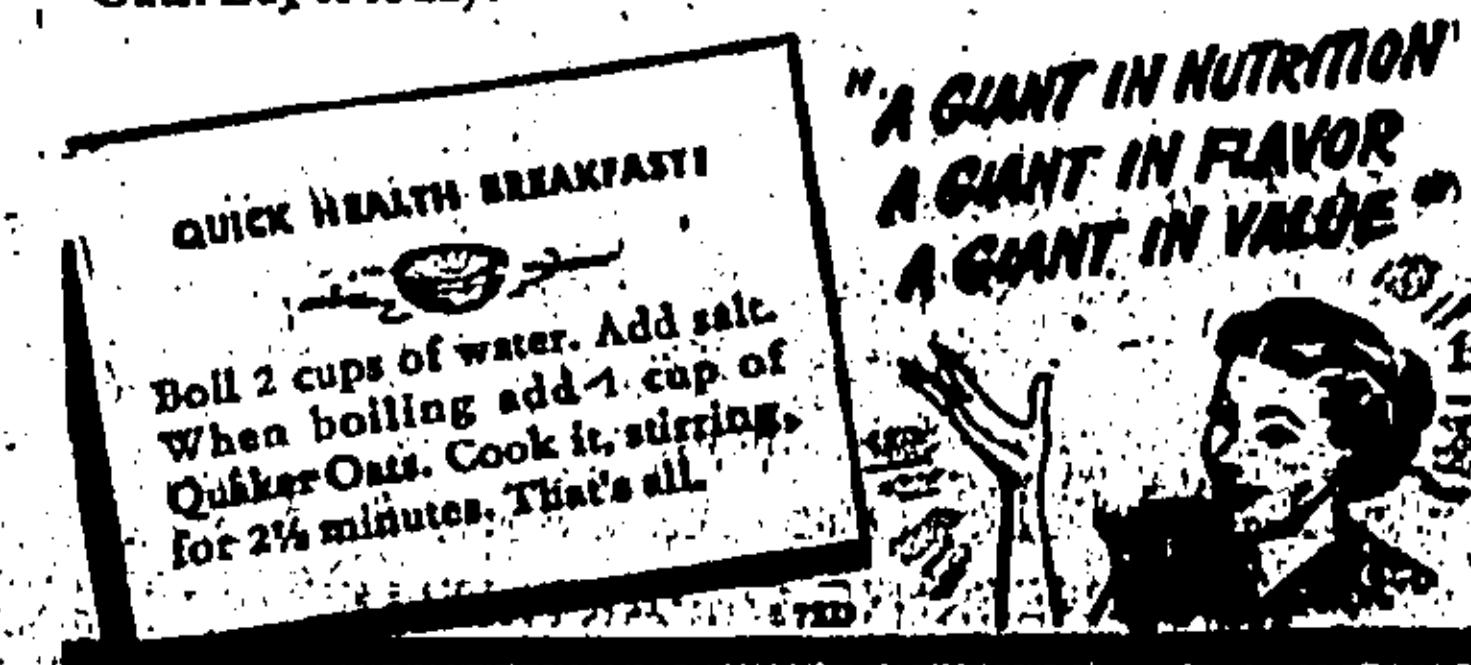


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Movie Sets Blown Apart



Here's what the typhoon did to the Yung Hwa motion picture lot in Kowloon, Tong village. Sets where films were being shot were reduced to mass of rubble above when the big winds hit. ("China Mail" photo)

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

BOAC Service

Sir, By means of a Press Conference and a letter to you yesterday, I advised that due to a minor defect becoming apparent in the engine of the Argonaut we had temporarily withdrawn them from our route. I further mentioned that we were making alternative arrangements to carry our passengers, freight and mail by sea or air.

I am now pleased to inform you that these arrangements are complete and that our services will recommence operating on our published schedules on Tuesday September 13 on that day DC-3 Skymasters will depart for Tokyo, Singapore and U.K.

These aircraft will be chartered by BOAC from Qantas Empire Airways for all our routes to the Far East, east of Karachi and from Skyways Limited for the routes from Karachi to U.K.

There is no need for me to describe the DC-3 to you as it is a very frequent visitor to the Colony and well known to the travelling public.

BOAC hopes that this temporary arrangement will suit the convenience of their passenger and that before long the more modern and faster Argonaut will be back in regular operation.

A. D. BENNETT,
Regional Representative
Far East.

NCDN Resumes Publication Of Foreign News

Shanghai, September 7. The "North-China Daily News" today resumed publication of foreign despatches with Communist permission, leading off with reports of the Yenan coup after a one-week lapse as a result of the ban on foreign news agencies from September 1.

In the past week the "North-China" had been reduced to four pages without foreign despatches, filling the columns with local sports news, stockholders' meetings and long features on such subjects as an Indian village, philosophy, the 1925 Shendao disaster and the life of Tennyson.—United Press.

PORTUGUESE RESIDENT DEAD

The death of Mr. Frederico Botelho, formerly of Dodwell and Company, occurred at St. Therese's Hospital, Kowloon, yesterday morning.

Decedent, who was a member of the Hong Kong Emergency Unit before he joined Dodwell's, had been ill for a long time.

He is survived by his wife, a son and two daughters, all of whom are in the Colony.

CHARTERED BANK DIVIDEND

The Directors of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, have declared an Interim Dividend for the current year of six per cent, actual subject to Income Tax. The Dividend is payable on October 1.

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Government Will Not Seek Extradition Of Catalina Piracy Suspect

Wong Yu, sole survivor of the CPA Catalina flying-boat crash off Macao more than a year ago and alleged conspirator in the attempt to pirate the aircraft, will not be extradited from Macao.

In an official statement yesterday, the Public Relations Officer said that application for the extradition of the man to Hong Kong for trial will not be made.

The Macao authorities have been informed of the Hong Kong Government's decision.

Wong Yu, who has been imprisoned since his arrest on July 16, last year, at Macao, is alleged to have been one of the conspirators who had planned to seize control of the flying-boat during its flight from Macao to Hong Kong.

The Macao authorities claimed they had obtained evidence that the pilot of the aircraft was shot by one of the conspirators when he resisted.

As a result, the Hong Kong Government has been advised that no admissible evidence exists which would permit the trial of Wong Yu in Hong Kong.

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The statement added that the Macao authorities submitted a record of their investigation to the Hong Kong Government which was carefully studied.

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To Face Trial On Murder Charge

No formal charge has ever been preferred against Wong Yu.

The official statement by the Hong Kong Government Public Relations Officer yesterday said that the Macao authorities started an investigation into the loss of the flying-boat.

No Charge Preferred

The investigation, it added, was naturally protracted. In the course of the investigation, Wong Yu made a statement which indicated his association with three other men. They had plotted to board the aircraft with the intention of robbing the passengers.

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Macao Record

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FINED FOR OVERCHARGING

A Chinese Manager was fined \$600 by Mr. A. D. Scholes at Central yesterday for overcharging 17 cents on a catty of imported flour for not attaching a price tag and with obstruction of public servant.

Defendant was Tse Yuen, manager of the Wah Cheong Company, 425 Quaint Road West.

Inspector Pitman, prosecuting, stated that on August 10, two lady Price Control Inspectors purchased flour which cost them 70 cents a catty.

The Inspectors warned defendant that he was overcharging on the flour and that no price tag was attached.

Defendant exhibited great rage, shouting at the top of his voice.

He snatched the flour from the hands of the lady Inspector and dumped it into the receptacle from where it had been taken, throwing the wrappings on the floor.

Inspector Pitman asked that a serious view be taken of the obstruction charge against defendant in view of the prevalence of such cases recently.

He further stated that the lady Inspectors were put in great fear by shopkeepers' actions which tended to make them avoid these shops, thereby not being able to carry out their duty to the public.

The following are gratefully thanked for contributions to Relief and Magna.

Mr. Slaters, Mrs. N. Hart-Daker, Mrs. C. Chamberlain, Mrs. C. E. Terry, Mr. M. N. Arnasoff, the members of the RCO for playing cards and all those who, anonymously, donated books through the collection centres.

Departure Of Amethyst Delayed

The departure of "HMS Amethyst" for the United Kingdom has been postponed for a few days. It was officially announced yesterday.

Typhoon weather here delayed completion of repairs to the British ship.

It is expected that Amethyst will leave on Monday.

Empress Of Australia Arriving Today

Further military reinforcements are due to arrive here today from the United Kingdom by the ss. Empress of Australia. The vessel will dock at the Kowloon No. 1 Wharf on 9 a.m.

The reinforcements are mainly from the 1st Battalion The South Staffordshire Regiment and 2nd Battalion The King's Shropshire Light Infantry.

Raised in 1709 the South Staffs (380 Foot) were garrisoned in West Indies until 1760.

There, through difficulties of supply, they were forced to wear Hessian, thus becoming the first Regiment in the British Army to use tropical uniform.

The KSLI (53rd Foot) were raised in 1750 and sent to America in 1776, then to Flanders in 1783—when the crossing took three weeks—and on to West Indies in 1785.

They were engaged in Jesters of the Indian Mutiny in 1857.

Reds' Warning On Labour Strike

Shanghai, September 7. The official New China News Agency in an editorial today warned labour and management to settle any disputes as soon as possible or the nation's productive capacity would be impaired.

Indicating a realization of the seriousness of labour problems which are harassing many firms in Shanghai and elsewhere, the first editorial dealing specifically with a means of settlement blamed both workers and employers for controversies in many Communist cities.

"Ta Kung Pao" said the disputes were partly due to reactionary minded capitalists who oppressed the workers under Kuomintang rule, and frankly added that it was also caused by a lack of political knowledge of the working class who seized opportunities to seek revenge and make unfair demands.

Meanwhile, in an effort to ease some of the effects of the blockade, the Control Commission announced new regulations requiring all passenger and cargo vessels, tugs, lighters and motor junks to be registered for service transporting coal, food and government supplies. Those not complying will be commanded.—United Press.

MALAYAN EVENING AT I.R.C. POSTPONED

The "Malayan Evening" arranged for tomorrow at the Indian Recreation Club has been postponed due to the uncertain weather until Saturday, September 17, when the Malayan personnel of the R.A.F. will put on a costume concert. Those who have made reservations for tomorrow evening are kindly requested to note the change.

REQUISITIONING

The Government Requisitioning Authority has requisitioned 5,132 acres of land near Yuen Long (D.O. 130, part of Lot 2527) for the Military. It was officially announced yesterday.

Winds Of 100 MPH Lash HK As Typhoon Passes

Chinese Weather Station Fails To Report Storm BUSINESS AT STANDSTILL

Gales up to 100 miles an hour lashed Hong Kong between 2.30 a.m. and 6.30 a.m. yesterday while the typhoon which originated over the Balintang Channel in the Straits of Luzon on Monday passed the Colony about 50 miles to the South.

It was officially announced that very little information on the track of the typhoon was available. No reports were received from the Chinese Central Government's Protos weather station, about 210 miles South East of Hong Kong.

It was added that as a result of the lack of adequate information, it was extremely difficult to gauge the position and movement of the depression.

Shops in the vicinity of the storm-congested by transit time; all available information on the typhoon to the Royal Observatory. The President Tyler Tozer, who was battling 80-knot winds near the centre of the depression, made a vital report at 5 p.m. yesterday, and the official statement.

Unofficial reading of 100-mile-an-hour gusts was reported to have been made at the Hong Kong Electric Company's installation of North Point. Officially, a mean velocity of 50 knots was maintained for about four hours between 2.30 a.m. and 6.30 a.m. yesterday, following which pressure rose rapidly and the gale abated.

The No. 8 Signal was hoisted at 5.10 a.m. and lowered at 9 a.m.

Maximum velocity of wind in gusts, recorded by the Royal Observatory, was 79 knot at 3 a.m. yesterday. There were frequent gusts of more than 60 knots between 2 a.m. and 4 a.m.

At times rainfall was more than 12 inches an hour. Between 10 p.m. on Wednesday and 10 a.m. yesterday total rainfall was 5½ inches. This, said the official statement, was not exceptional. The maximum hourly fall was barely three-quarters of an inch between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m.

Squally conditions persisted throughout the day in the wake of the typhoon which at 9 a.m. was about 70 miles West South West of the Colony, moving West or West North West at 10 knots.

Schools Closed

All schools were closed for the day. Thousands of office workers were not able to reach offices until late in the afternoon when the ferry services resumed.

Gusts of more than 65 miles an hour uprooted trees, ripped off signboards, flung flower pots off verandahs, and blew down colonies of squat, bitternests.

Bluepool Road in Happy Valley was strewn with tree branches.

Torrential showers brought down streams of water and mud from the hillsides in the Happy Valley area and flooded certain sections of the district. The whole inside of the Race Course resembled a lake.

A tree on the North side of the Mohammadian Cemetery was uprooted. It fell to crumble the North wall to pieces.

All streets were strewn with debris and pieces of signboards shattered by wind and rain. The brick railings of a top floor of an old building on Queen's Road, East, collapsed during Wednesday night. Fortunately, there was no one on the road at the time.

Gloucester Clock Damaged

In the Central District, window panes were shattered by the force of the wind and shutters swept off.

Two panes on the North face of the Gloucester Building clock were smashed. As a result the numerals I, II and III were blown away.

Reminders

Today

Members' Council meeting European YMCA, 8 p.m.
HK Light Orchestra Singers rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 7 p.m.
Ys' Men's, Club, Ladies' Night, Cosmo Club, 37A Connaught Road Central, 5.30 p.m.
Crown Land Sales, District Office, Tai Po, 1.30 a.m., Kowloon Magistracy Building, 11 a.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW
Army Soccer Trial at Shookupoo, 4 p.m.
VRC-Army Swimming Meet, at VRC Pool, 6.30 p.m.
SUNDAY
Third Annual General Meeting of Islamic Union at Mohammadian Cemetery, Happy Valley, 11 a.m.
Fatima Club Anniversary Club Luncheon, 6.30 p.m.

No information regarding the

Diamond Hill Residents Get Shock

Residents in several bungalows at Diamond Hill, near Kai Tak, had a rude shock at the height of the typhoon when the roofs of the structures caved in.

Though nobody was injured, much damage was done to household fittings and clothing. The residents hurriedly removed to a hotel in the vicinity.

Several houses in the Kai Tak area, which are under construction were badly damaged during the typhoon.

Conditions at Cheung Chau was available from the Yaumati Ferry Company. The company reported that all its launches and facilities on both sides were intact.

Restaurant and tea houses, normally crowded to capacity, particularly at the full hour, also suffered as a result of yesterday's weather.

At the usual supply of fresh meat and vegetables was cutlaid the Colony throughout. Wednesday night and flooded many flats on the upper floors.

Streets with a poor drainage system were flooded. Pedestrians had to wade through ankle-deep water. In places the water was over a foot deep.

Miniature waterfalls inundated traffic where hill water gushed down into roads. Nullahs were miniature torrents.

When the Star Ferry reopened its then restricted run between the island and the mainland around noon the area round the Pier quickly became filled with anxious and impatient people who had either heard the "news" over the air or by mouth.

Factory Loses Roof

Buses arriving at the Star Ferry put forth a continual stream of people who surged forward the moment they alighted. Even with the assistance of the police, the Ferry Inspectors had a tough time controlling the crowds milling round the gates.

The high winds did extensive damage to trees and flowers throughout the area and the torrents gushing down from the hills coupled with the high tide made Shatin valley a veritable lake of muddy water.

Telephone lines were seen sagging into the flood waters from leaning poles.

Power Failure In Shatin

Residents of the Shatin area in the New Territories were without light and power from 2 a.m. until 5 p.m. yesterday as a result of the typhoon.

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Squatters presented a pitiful sight as they were seen searching among the debris for personal belongings. Those whose huts had not been seriously damaged were busily engaged in repairing the damage.

The fence at the tram-line end of the Royal Navy Football ground in Causeway Bay was completely blown down. In the course of its collapse, it broke the crossbar of the goal-posts at the end of the field.

Ferry Services

The corrugated iron roof of a fairly large sized structure opposite the bus terminus at Tai Hang was lifted clear of the structure and blown on to the adjoining Queen's College Recreation Ground.

Scaffolding erected at building sites also came in for a fair share of damage.

The force of the gale resulted in a large number of radio aerials being blown down and it was an uncommon sight to see a bamboo pole dangling in the air at the end of a wire.

Only slight damage was reported at the Ritz Bathing Pavilion and the Chung Shing Bathing Pavilion.

Heavy seas, a strong wind and blinding rain yesterday morning did not deter a number of street urchins from bathing and swimming off the waterfront opposite the Western Market.

Shortly after 9 a.m., after the typhoon signal was lowered, the ferry system resumed operation.

First were the Shamshui Po and Tsimshui Po ferries, each starting three launches.

At 12.40 p.m. the Golden Star of the Star Ferry started on her cross harbour trip from Kowloon to be joined shortly by two other launches.

Other pontoons were uprooted and required minor repairs.

Strong winds and heavy swells prevented an earlier resumption of the Star Ferry service. It was explained.

Because of the heavy seas, the Star Ferry launches had to berth at the Hong Kong Pier parallel to the Praya instead of the usual landing platforms on both sides. This is a formal procedure under such circumstances.

The Star Ferry began operations at 3 p.m.

Ferry services to Cheung Chau and the other outlying areas were resumed at 6.30 p.m.

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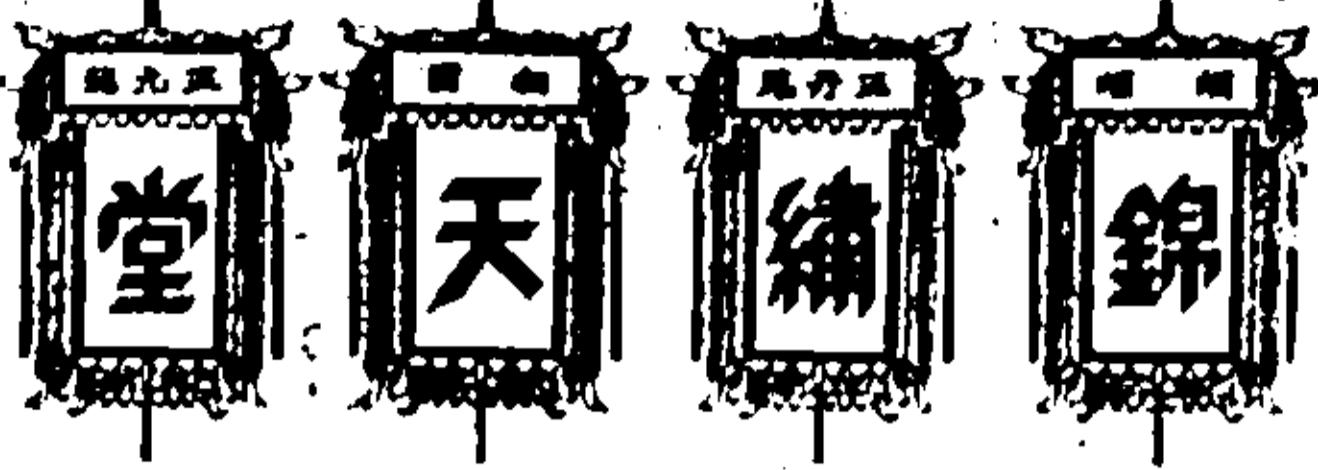
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Rating: **

An enjoyable and refreshing romcom comes to the Roxy and Broadway Theatres this week-end with the screening of "Unfaithfully Yours," written, produced and whose films often been noted directed by Preston Sturges, for novelty and nonsense.

Starring Rex Harrison, who is rapidly climbing the ladder of success in Hollywood, and Linda Darnell, "Unfaithfully Yours" has so many good points to its credit that its greatest weakness—a repetition of gags—isn't noticeable to the average cinema-goer.

"Sexy Rexy" plays an aging, temperamental and rather volatile symphony conductor who is madly in love with his beautiful, albeit naive, young wife (Linda Darnell). Told of an alleged affair during his absence between her and his handsome (and young) secretary (Kurt Kreuger) Harrison is at first wonderfully annoyed, then suspicious and finally remorseful at the straying of his beloved.

Brooding over his jealousy while conducting a concert (some praiseworthy music by Rossini, Tchikovsky and Wagner) he dreams of solving his domestic problem by 1) murder, 2) generosity to his wayward spouse and 3) suicide.

But when it comes to put his hypothetical plans into action, Harrison discovers that the products of fantasy are invariably perfectly executed, while the actual realisation of them is usually brought with unexpected obstacles, such as charts with weak points, complicated wire recorders,

leaky fountain pens and misplaced bullets.

It is at this stage that Sturges overworks his gags a trifle, and repetitions inevitably turn a hearty laugh into a subdued chuckle. However, the brilliant performance of Harrison (watch out for his rhetorical rage) plus some excellent dialogue and music tide the picture over its weakness.

Linda Darnell, as usual, is the perfect complement to a kiss-mad husband, while the supporting cast includes such characters as Rudy Vallee, Edgar Kennedy and Lionel Stander, who do more than their share.

"Unfaithfully Yours" should appeal to a large section of cinema-goers for its charm and naive gaiety, as well as for the good performance of its male lead.

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The "China Mail" is using the following classification to indicate to readers the quality of films reviewed:

- *** Excellent
- ** Very Good
- ** Good
- * Fair

Beery Plays Usual Role In MGM Film

Rating: **

With Wallace Beery playing an ex-crook who is determined to become a gentleman, and in the process makes himself an expert on etiquette, interior decoration, French pronouns, and what the well-dressed clubman will wear—you have the amusing promise of "Alas! A Gentleman," M-G-M picture coming to the Leo Theatre.

This breezy-paced story divides its humour and drama evenly, with the action and suspense centring on the attempt of a rival underworld character to cut into the would-be gentleman's mysterious income.

Involved is Tom Drake, playing an ex-prison pal of Beery's, and Dorothy Patrick, a down-on-her-luck actress who poses as Beery's daughter in an attempt to ferret out information as to the source of his wealth.

In the final outcome, the roguish Beery as usual, comes out on top and romance envelops Drake and Miss Patrick, but not before you have been served plenty of rough-and-tumble antics, pistol-play, and a huge platter of laughs from this enter-taining screen menu.

Harry Beaumont has directed with authority and has seen to it that the late Beery is given every opportunity for his usual rough-and-a-heart-of-gold characterisation. The up-and-coming Tom Drake will win your approval as the tough youngster after easy money, and Dorothy Patrick lends credulity and sympathy to the part of the girl who at first imposes on Beery but is later won over to his affable generosity.

Wallace Beery's army of fans will have no cause for complaint on "Alas! A Gentleman."

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BRITISH MAGAZINES AND THE DOLLAR CRISIS

By "WINDRUSH"

The week-end magazines in England are one of the chief institutions of British political life. The discussion in them has great influence on policy. By studying them carefully, the reader can see what lies ahead.

The most important of the magazines are the "Economist" (Independent), the "Tribune" (left-wing Socialist), the "New Statesman" (Socialist), the "Spectator" (Independent), "Time and Tide" (Independent, but inclined to be Conservative).

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The most interesting article in the magazine last week-end is in the "Economist" on the dollar crisis. The article analyses first the politics of the crisis, then the economics. It prints the article in parallel columns. The one on the right is marked "For American Readers. Not to be read in Britain."

The one on the left is marked "For British readers. Not to be read in America."

It does this because "truth is many-sided, and if there is to be understanding between the nations, different facets of the truth need to be stressed in different places".

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Bitter Verbal Battle In Senate On China

Generalissimo Accused Of Absconding With Funds

Connally-Knowland Clash

Washington, September 7. Chairman Tom Connally of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee charged today that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek absconded with \$138,000,000 of his nation's treasury to Taiwan. Connally made the charge during a furious Senate debate with Republican senators Kenneth Wherry and William Knowland, who are seeking \$175,000,000 of U.S. military aid for the Nationalist Government of China. Knowland proposed that the Defense Secretary, Mr. Louis Johnson order the Joint Chiefs of Staff to extend their current Alaskan trip to the Far East and China, while Wherry demanded top secret reports on the Far Eastern situation by General MacArthur before the Senate votes on the \$1,450,000,000 arms aid programme.

Brabazon's Technical Adjustment

Farnborough, September 7. Technical adjustments after her second successful flight this morning prevented the world's largest civil landplane, the 130-ton Brabazon I, from flying today at Britain's exhibition of 50 of her latest aircraft.

After her two and a half hours' flight this morning, it was announced that the Brabazon would provide a "Grand Flane" to the first day's display by the Society of British Aircraft Constructors of some of the world's latest jet and turbo propeller machines.

So great was the interest in the display—reserved for 6,000 invited airline operators and technicians from 30 countries—that the road leading to Farnborough Airport was congested for two miles with motorists.

Russian Air Attaches were among the members of the Diplomatic Corps in London who watched the aerobatics of Britain's first jet bomber and three of the latest jet fighters which have just been released from the secret list.

On the ground the planes were cordoned off and could not be inspected closely.

Fastest Airliner

With these aircraft in the display was the 600 m.p.h. De Havilland Comet, the world's fastest trans-continental airliner.

Most prominent among the Service chiefs and civilian enterprises from all parts of the world were a large number of Americans, including executives of domestic airlines making a close inspection of what Britain might have to sell in the next few years.

An American official commented: "You have some wonderful planes and it has been perfect for pilot; you have got to have a lot of confidence in your planes to do what I saw your pilots do today."

Sir Roy Dobson, President of the Aircraft Constructors Society, said: "Technically you cannot beat Britain's advance-type planes. Some equipment still remains secret, and for the same reason some planes could not be flown publicly today. But we have just started. Our dependence on the United States for civil aircraft was a passing phase."—Reuter.



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Foreign Office Denial On Berlin Deal

London, September 7. A Foreign Office spokesman denied today that Russia had approached Britain with a suggestion of a settlement for Berlin by which the Soviet authorities would give up political control of their sector in return for the grant of an enclave in the port of Hamburg.

He was commenting on a reported six-point offer from the Soviet Government which was published in certain Swedish papers.

"Rumours of this kind are known to have been circulating in Berlin during the past four or five days," he said. "It can only be supposed that they are calculated to undermine the morale of the Berlin population by suggesting that a permanent solution for the city is in sight."

In reply to a question, the spokesman added that he understood no approach of this kind had been made to the United States authorities.—Reuter.

Malta Gets Assurance From Navy

Valletta, Malta, September 7.

Sir David Campbell, Acting Governor of Malta, today gave Dr. Paul Boffa, the Prime Minister, "an assurance from the British Admiralty that everything possible would be done to reduce Dockyard discharges."

In a letter to Dr. Boffa, Sir David said that the assurance was given as a result of the strong representations that had been made.

"You will be pleased to hear that the Commodore Superintendent of the Dockyard has reported that he will be able to reduce the rate of discharges, which had been fixed at 40 weekly, to not more than 20 weekly," Sir David added.

"He hopes to effect still further reductions in the rate of discharges later in the financial year."

Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, India's Ambassador to the United States, told the United Nations today that it should offer its scientific knowledge to the East to redress the existing world unbalance in the distribution of material goods, services and skills. She was addressing the United Nations scientific conference on resources of the last plenary meeting of its three-week session.

Scientists from nearly 50 countries attended today's gathering. Among those present to hear Mrs. Pandit were Sir D. Ramu Rau, Governor of the Reserve Bank of India, and Sir B. N. Rau, India's permanent delegate to the United Nations.

Wherry then said he was informed that General MacArthur made regular military reports on China, but Connally said he did not know about them and had not seen them. Connally sarcastically accused Wherry of having "wrapped up the secrets of MacArthur in his bosom," refusing to let the Senate have them.

When Wherry accused the Administration of telling MacArthur what to say when the General turned down an invitation to testify before the Senate committee, Connally snapped "That's unworthy of the Senator" from Nebraska to say there was an effort to "fix" the General's answer.

During his verbal fight with Knowland, Connally said the Chinese Communists had been helped to victory through American arms sent to the Nationalist Government of the Republic of China.

She said that science was now everybody's business.

She warned, however, that unless the relationship between science and politics is correct there may be no life which scientific knowledge may enrich.

Two Things

Man's pursuit of happiness, Mrs. Pandit continued, had taken many forms during the ages. In the present mechanized age, science offered two things: power to eliminate disparity of possession, and power to eliminate disparity of possession, and power to the dispossessed to break the bonds of slavery.

"But the people of Asia have not so far been enriched by any of the great discoveries of science," she added.

"The most important job that lies ahead of us is that of human emancipation—the chance of full development to every human being. The lack of this is the reason for the unrest in Asia and Africa. The problem these continents pose is essentially a human problem."

"We have to remove the crypsis, anachronism of vast populations leading lives steeped in poverty, in a world where a thousand secrets of mastering nature, of increasing production, of prolonging life, of liquidating want are known and practised."

Man's Fears

"Consistently with our geographical position in the Indian Ocean, we are doing as much as our resources to advance the beneficial activities of science in that part of the world."

Labour To Keep Lid On Wages, Mr Attlee Warns

Bridlington, England, September 7. Prime Minister Clement Attlee warned British unions today that his Labour Government is determined to keep the lid on wages.

He said demands for bigger pay packets without a matching rise in output lead straight to inflation.

In a speech to the 81st Annual Meeting of the Trades Union Congress, Mr. Attlee also appealed to the British working man to:

1. Help rouse strong public opinion against people who are abusing the social services in such matters as sickness benefits and the health service.
2. Be on the alert against industrial disputes stirred up by Communists.
3. Back an all out effort to produce goods in price and quality will command a market in the dollar area.

Tory Minority Accused

Mr. Attlee accused a minority in the Opposition Conservative Party of hoping for a severe economic crisis in Britain because they think if things get serious they might overthrow the Labour Government. He said that would suit the British Communists because they would like to see a Conservative government in office.

Of Communists abroad, Mr. Attlee had this to say, "I hope that wiser counsels may prevail and that they will abandon their policy of trying to dictate to other nations."

Policemen and Union stewards were stationed around the Hall today to prevent any Communist outbursts. Several speakers had been heckled loudly by party liners at the previous two sessions of the meeting.

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Last night it was announced that owing to large-scale savings in overtime, compulsory discharges from the Naval Store Department would cease as from September 16.

The TUC, whose affiliated unions have 6,000,000 members, is the backbone of the Labour Party.

Mr. Attlee cautioned it that there is a lot of effort being put out to try to make bad blood between Britain and the United States.—Associated Press.

A fortnight ago, Mr. Dalton had complained on the floor of the Assembly about the circulation of a document bearing the words inspired by the European Movement.

The Committee found that no case had been made out establishing a breach of privilege by the Movement (the unofficial body of pro-Europeans) of the European Movement.

It thought the incident could be regarded as closed.

But the Committee did propose an inquiry to see whether further measures were needed to protect the Assembly against prejudicial interference from outside.

The report was adopted by 89 votes with eight abstentions and no votes against.

The Assembly today adopted the report of its Committee on Cultural and Scientific questions, recommending the setting up of the European Centre of Culture.

The report, debated point by point yesterday, also asked the Foreign Ministers to call a conference of Ministers of Education of member States to draw up plans for cultural co-operation.—Reuter.

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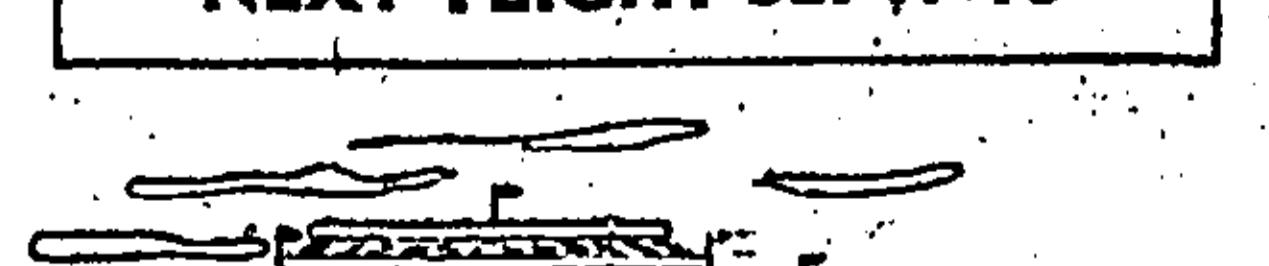
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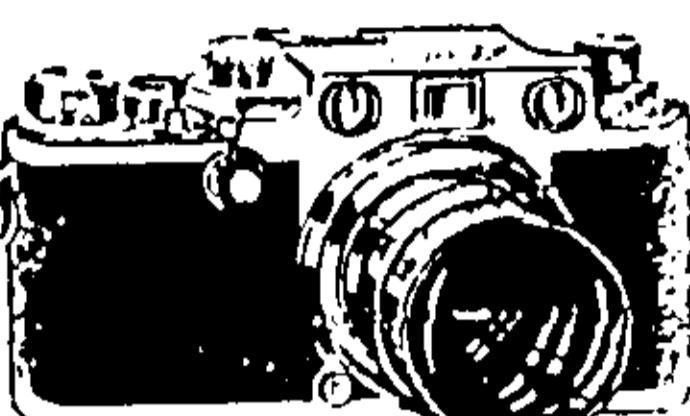
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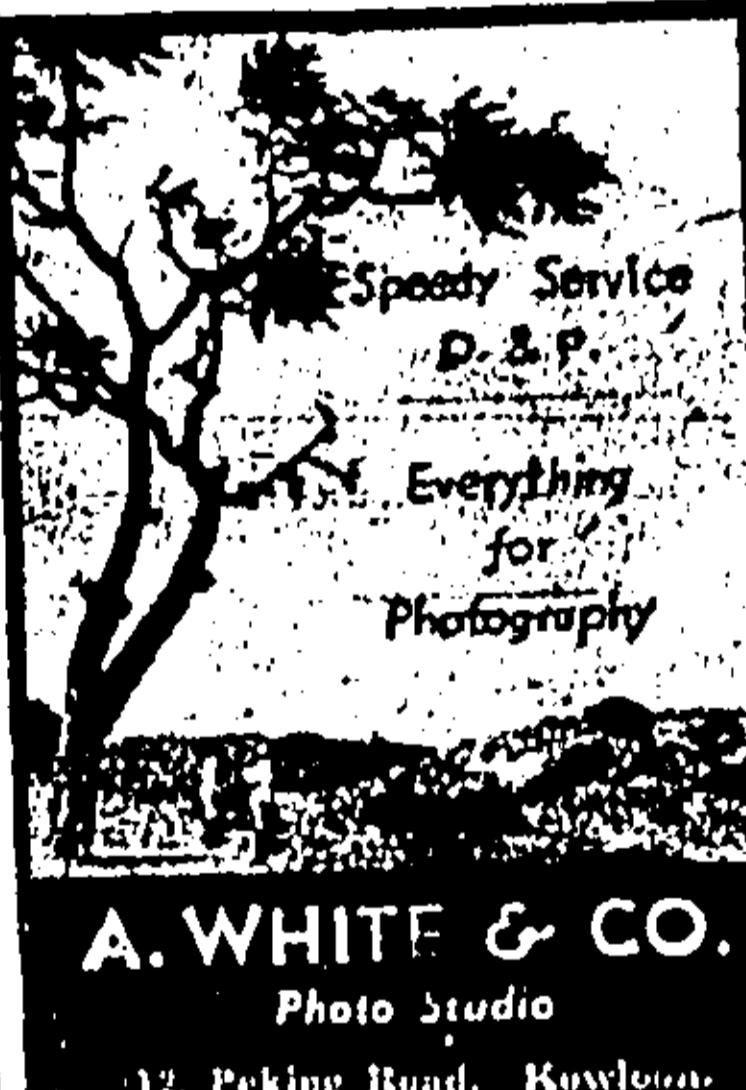
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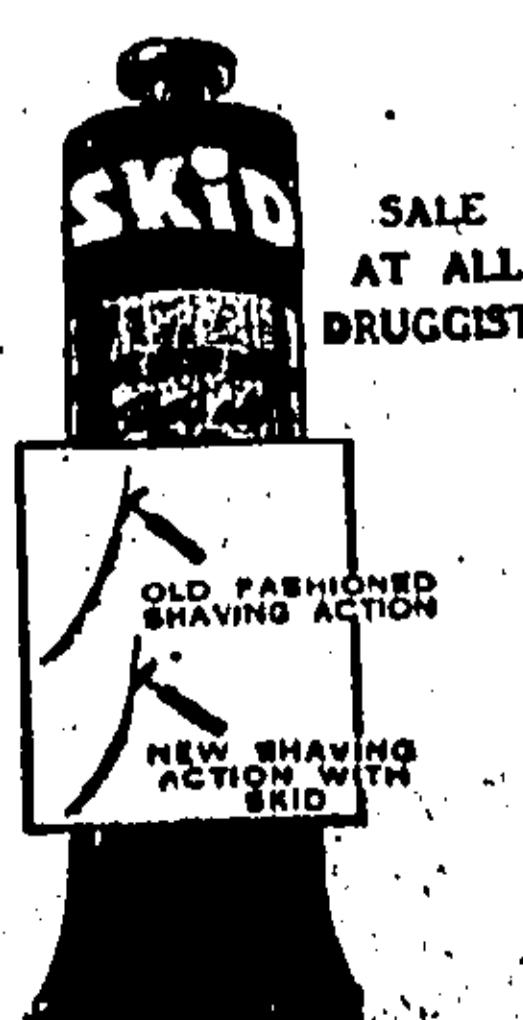
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Popular Support
Of Communism
In Israel Wanes

Tel-Aviv, September 7.
Popular support of Communism in the new State
of Israel, never greater than the three per cent
vote which the Communist party got in the re-
cent elections, is losing ground.

This followed the slamming of Eastern Europe's
doors in the face of Jews straggling to the
Promised Land.

Although 150,000 immigrants arrived in Israel during
the first half of 1949, not more than 75,000
are expected there in the second half. This
is mainly due to the departure from Germany
of most of that country's Jews and to the clos-
ing of the frontiers of Rumania and Hungary,
formerly the greatest sources of Jewish migra-
tion.

By September's end, it is es-
timated, the only Jewish DP's re-
maining in the United States zone
of Germany will be 1,500 "hard
core" cases and 3,000 relatives
remaining with them. These will
not be brought here until IRO
contributes to their maintenance
in Israel.

This is what motivated Israel's
Foreign Minister Mr. Moshe
Sharett in telling the Knesset
recently that "certain Eastern
States are preventing Jews from
migrating to Israel. Once
upon a time this was done by
Hitlerite immigrants, on the pretext that
they were coming to bring with them
agents with Cominform agents.
Later we were charged with
bringing Cominform agents.

Now, in the Budapest trials, we
are described as bringing into
this country, capitalistic elements.
We shall never accept the
distinction which certain states
are trying to draw between Zion-
ism and Israel. These two are
inseparable."

Israelis are still puzzled by the
attitude of the People's Demo-
cracy towards Zionism. Before
the British and Jews reached a
showdown over Palestine, the
Eastern world branded Zionism
as a bourgeois movement, a tool
of British imperialism. Zionists
were persecuted. Zionist
clubs were shut down. Zionist
propaganda was banned. An
alternative to Zionism, the move-
ment of Jewish return to Zion,
was created in Biro Bihac.

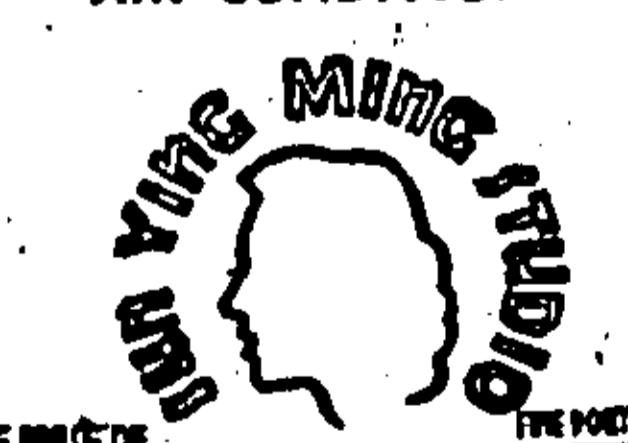
Change Of Heart
Then came the change of
heart two years ago. The
Eastern bloc accepted a new
hair-splitting distinction be-
tween Zionism and Jewish
statehood. The first was set
aside and the second was sup-
ported to the hilt. That this
distinction was considered more
theoretical than real was made
clear when Israel was given
Eastern political and military
support in Israel's struggle for
existence against five Arab
states last year.

Then followed the eagerness of
Jews in Eastern Europe to leave
the Communist mess of pottage
and go to Israel. This came as
a shock to the Communists who
claimed that there was no dis-
crimination against Jews. The
news so after the Israeli elections
gave the lie to Eastern hopes that
the new state would become a
bridgehead for Communism.

Israelis now wonder where
they stand with the Eastern bloc
and whether the measures taken
by Hungary and Rumania against
Jewish migration, to say nothing
of the trials of Zionist leaders,
threaten to end the two-year-old
Eastern support of Israel.

Already a new kind of cold
war seems to be in the offing be-
tween Communism and Zionism.
No one seemed to be able to say
definitely why the Ben-Gurion
government introduced in the
Knesset recently a bill repealing the
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Combinations:

33. Gal(3) shoh(3).

34. Jau(2) faon(1).

A Visit To A Tailor: (Continued)

37. Gaw(2)-(3)un-(1)nei.

(2)ngaw(1)'gal(3)-

hoh(2) shoh(3).

38. (2)Kui tsing(2) (2)ngaw

(3)lo(1)-sheeo(2)

(3)deng-(1)ngun.

39. (2)Ngav(3)mun(2)kul,

(3)wah:

(2)Ngaw yeeeo(3) (3)lok

gay(2)-daw(1) (3)deng

ah(3):

40. (2)Kui daap(3), (3)wah:

"Daw(1)-sheeo(2) (2)doh(1)

(3)zoh-duk(1) lok(3)."

41. (3)Lo(1)-yeo-bank(3)

mun(1)-(3)deng, duk(1)

(1)im duk(1) nh(3)?"

42. "Duk(1)-lok(3)"

43. Gom(2), (2)ngaw(3)dzau

kuei(3)-yeo(3) (3)lok

(3)yeo-bank(3) mun(1)

(3)deng lok(3).

44. (2)Ngaw bay(2) yut(1)-

jeun(1) (2)ng-pauk(3)-

mun(1)-jeo(2) (2)kul,

(3)wah:

"(1)M-ge(2) (2)ngay

ba(2)-faun(1) bay(2)

(2)ngaw lab(1)."

45. (2)Kui juan(2)-faun(1)

saan(1)-bank(3) mun(1)

bay(2) (2)ngaw, (3)au

eh(2)-yut(1)-jeun(1)-

shau(1)-(1)teeo(2) bay(2)

(2)ngaw.

46. (2)Kui (3)wah: "Daw(1)-

(Continued On Next Col.)

To reckon. To calculate.
To plan.
A plan. A scheme. A device.
To give change.

To reckon accounts.
To give change.

By then, the folk had already
completed reckoning, the ac-
count.

He asks me to pay a certain
amount on deposit.

I ask him, saying:

"How much have I to pay on
deposit?"

He answers, saying:
"Any amount will do."

"It is all right if I pay two
hundred dollars on de-
posit."

So, I then decide to pay two
hundred dollars on de-
posit.

I give him one five hundred
dollar note and say:

"Please give me the change."

He gives me change for three
hundred dollars and also
writes me a receipt.

He says: "Thank you for all."

Mass Murder Story

Told At Trial
Of German Marshal

Hamburg, September 7.

Two officers of Hitler's extermination squad, Task Force D, now under sentence of death, told a story of mass murder in written depositions today before the British War Crimes court here trying Field Marshal Fritz Von Manstein.

Both told him all Jews at Simferopol, in the Crimea, were shot before Christmas, 1941, by order of Field Marshal Manstein's 11th Army.

The depositions, which were made by Karl Braune and Heinz Schubert, now awaiting execution at Landsberg, with the other members of Task Force D, told how their commander, Erich Ohlendorff, said that he could not carry out the order which they thought came from Manstein because of lack of materials.

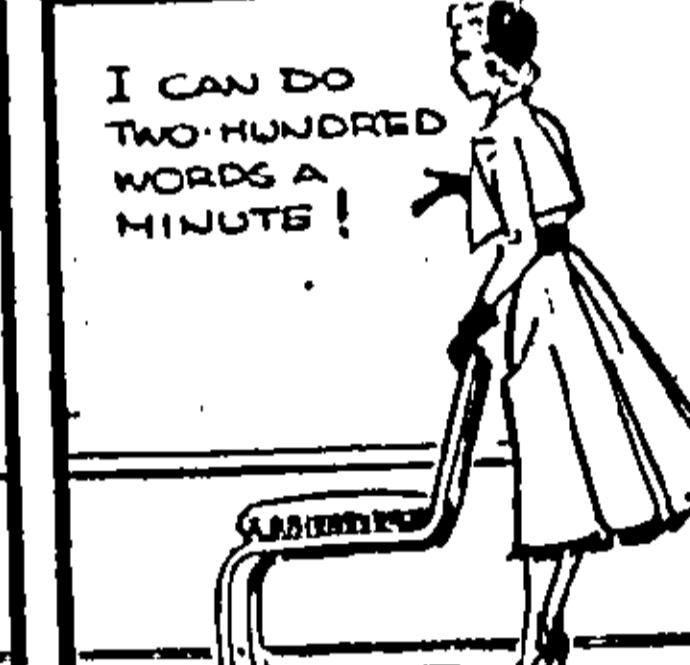
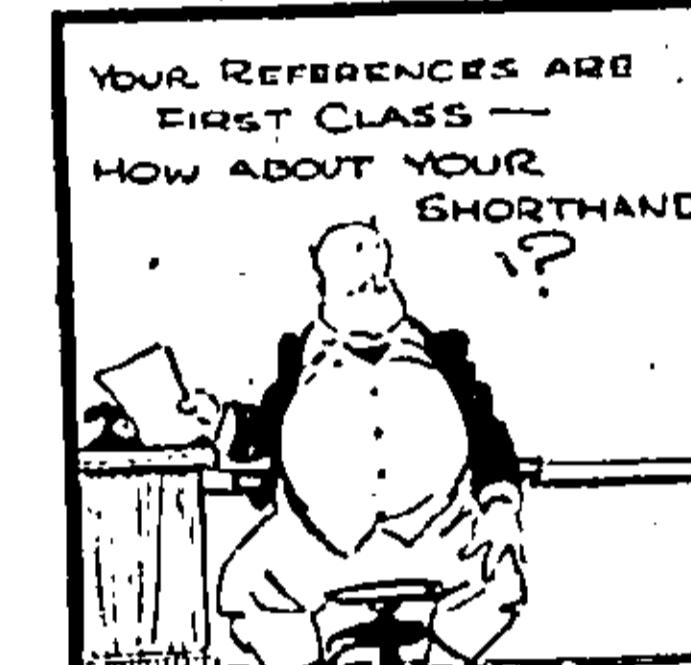
The Army offered petrol, lorries and drivers but said that soldiers could not do the shooting. It was done before Christmas, all the Jews being shot in anti-tank ditches surrounding the town and about 120 watches belonging to them were handed over to the Army on Manstein's orders.

Reprisal Shooting
Braune's deposition said that Manstein ordered that when the Germans recaptured the town, all 100 executions were awarded to members of Task Force D by the Army. He was Adjutant to the commander, and Manstein obtained the award of an Iron Cross, Second Class, for him after he had earlier been turned down six times.

The prosecution stated that between November 11 and December 15, 1941, 7,640 Krimcheks (an ancient Jewish sect), 624 gypsies and 212 Communists were killed in the area of Manstein's South Russian Command.—Reuters

Words fail him

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A Tale Of Two Sisters

Mme. Chiang Kai-shek

New York, September 8. The New York Journal American said today that Madame Chiang Kai-shek is returning to China next month to stand by her Generalissimo husband.

In an interview with a reporter, Madame Chiang was quoted as saying, "I am flying back next month. I believe the Generalissimo needs me."

Asked if she would go the fighting front with him, she replied, "I will go wherever he goes." The report also quoted her as saying, "I shall also carry home the message that China has many friends in America who would like to help in her hour of need."

Mme. Sun Yat-sen

The Peking Chinese Communist Radio last night quoted Madame Sun Yat-sen, "widow" of the founder of the Chinese Republic, as saying that close co-operation between China and the Soviet Union is her husband's "cherished dream," reports Reuter.

That Radio reported that Madame Sun told the Preparatory Committee of the Sino-Soviet Association that this dream was now becoming a reality.

"We can now look forward to tackling our tasks of reconstruction and rehabilitation in common understanding with our mighty ally and friend, the Soviet Union," she stated, Associated Press and Reuter.

Hod To Give Up

"Unfortunately the sea then got so very rough that we had to cut adrift, and the fire started out afresh. We tried to get near enough to fight the fire once more, but despite every effort we failed because of the rough sea. By 1:30 a.m. we had to give up," said Mr. Brand.

The ship was then listing heavily, with a line of holes about six inches above the water line, blown out by the explosion.

The fire then spread to the centre of the ship.

The high sea made communication with the ship impossible. Nothing could be heard against the wind and the noise.

Had it not been for the typhoon, the vessel might have been saved, said Mr. Brand. The second fire could have been tackled, and at worst the vessel could have been beached.

Mr. Brand could give no theory for the cause of the fire. No trace was possible, because when he got there the ship was just a burning inferno.

However, whatever caused the fire must have been of a highly detonative character, he said.

He would not say whether the cause was explosives. Explosives in sufficiently large quantity, would of course be of a detonative character.

So far any theory as to the cause would be guess work, but such chemicals as nitrate or carbide, it is understood, could explode when wet.

The theory that some lighted object, such as a cigarette end, caused the explosion, could be ruled out.

Nor is it likely that patrol caused the explosion. The Chakasang is understood to have no place for the storage of petrol. The origin of the fire was possibly more of a dry nature rather than liquid.

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Mr. T. Y. Yunn, third mate;

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Mr. P. Fallon, second engineer;

Mr. J. Quenly, fourth engineer;

and Im Ki, radio officer.

Yesterday, the vessel was lying

on its port side with the funnel and starboard side of the stern clear of the water. The bow, at the time the "China Mail" visited the wreck, was practically submerged.

The part of the bulwark on the starboard side, nearest the fore hold, was badly dented and blackened as a result of the explosion and subsequent fire. The explosions occurred in the forward part of the Chakasang—in Hold No. 1 and 2.

No damage appeared to have been suffered between the bridge and the stern.

A lifeboat, awry in the wind amidstships, was dangling from one of the davits.

The water in the vicinity of the sunken ship was covered with oil.

8.30—The Dairy Farm Programme.

9.00—Teen Time.

9.30—The Carrier Programme.

10.00—BBC World News.

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8.30—Through the Looking Glass.

8.45—Good Morning.

9.00—Friday Music.

9.15—Saturday Music.

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6.00—Kingdom of Swing.

6.30—The Jumping Jacks.

6.45—Do You Remember? (Pakim-Syndicate).

7.00—The Light and Silver (London).

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8.00—BBC News.

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SABOTAGE THEORY IN CHAK SANG EXPLOSION

(Continued from Page 1)

The Chakasang was then drawing 13 feet of water, and she went down a foot every 15 minutes. Within the same period she listed two to three degrees.

When the fire call was received, instructions were sent through to the two fire floats which were tied up in Yaumati Typhoon Shelter. No. 2 was to proceed direct to the scene, which she reached within 20 minutes. No. 1 float was to come up to Hong Kong to pick up Mr. Brand, Mr. Brook and Mr. Browne. They got to the scene about 25 minutes after float No. 2.

The two floats, together with the two tugs, managed to lay the lines alongside to plumb their hoses on the burning vessel. The flames reacted quickly to water, and by 12:45 a.m. there was no sign of fire.

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

FIVE MILLION POUND LOAN WANTED BY THAI GOVERNMENT

London, September 7.
The Thai Finance Minister, Prince Viwatchai Chaiyant, said in London today that Thailand wanted a loan of roughly £5,000,000 with which to quicken up the development of the country so that the 18,000,000 people could be kept contented.

Industrial Labour Costs in Europe

Geneva, September 8.
Industrial labour costs in Europe do not seem to be a primary factor in the continent's dollar crisis, according to a survey by the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, which was released today.

In an introductory note, the Commission says: "When all the necessary reservations have been made the figures tend to suggest that the European export difficulties in hard currency markets may, in a greater measure, be caused by the high cost of raw materials from non-dollar sources and by the higher margin of profit on exports to soft currency areas than by high labour costs".

The Commission released the survey today after having calculated the figures to the 13 governments concerned before the Washington sterling-dollar talks on which they would have a considerable bearing.

Dealing with post-war rises in British industrial labour costs—nearly 60 per cent—the survey indicated that these had been completely eclipsed by similar increases in the United States.

Labour costs in British industry converted into dollars rose in 1948 to only 65 per cent above their pre-war average, according to the Commission.

The corresponding rise in the United States was 108 per cent.

Further Widening

Provisional figures for the first quarter of 1949 showed a further widening of the gap, putting British labour costs 58 per cent above their pre-war average and the United States costs 110 per cent higher.

Only three of the countries reviewed—Belgium, Czechoslovakia and Finland—showed an excessive rise in labour costs in terms of dollars, the Commission said.

Belgium's labour costs in 1948 soared to 299 per cent of its pre-war average, Czechoslovakia's to 292 per cent and Finland's to 398 per cent.

The figures for Belgium indicated that the "hard" Belgian franc is probably overvalued at present in terms of dollars.

Britain's figure of 185 per cent showed the smallest relative increase of all the countries surveyed. The note commented: "In six European countries, Denmark, France, The Netherlands, Norway, Sweden and Britain, the corresponding increase in labour costs was of the same order as in the United States or less. But the difference cannot be regarded as statistically significant, except perhaps in the case of Britain."

(The Commission estimated the margin of error in their calculations at up to 20 per cent.)—Reuters.

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New York Stock Exchange

New York, September 8.
The stock market breezed today for gains of fraction to more than a point.

Demand for oils, motors, radio and television stocks stimulated the rise, while platinum was scattered liberally most of the list. Non-ferrous metal and steel company issues were among the few tending to hang back.

Trading activity expanded with a turnover of 850,000 shares highest for around three weeks.

Wall Street observers were puzzled by the rise, having no explanation for it. A survey of business and political news offered no clue.

San Francisco Sugar lost two points at 10 and Manito Sugar dipped 5% to 8 1/2, following news that dividends had been cut.

Dow Jones' Average Stocks 64.11; 20 Industrials 100.21; 15 Rails 40.02; 10 Utilities 37.00.

Adams Express 19 1/2%; Alaska Juncos 3%; American Can 46 1/2%; American Smelting 46 1/2%; American Telephone 145 1/4%; American Tobacco 72 1/2%; American Waterworks 7%; Anaconda Copper 20 1/2%; Aviation Corp. 5%; Baldwin Locomotive 9 1/2%; Bausch & Lomb 49 1/2%; Bendix Aviation 29%; Bethlehem Steel 26 1/2%; Boeing Aircraft 19 1/2%; Borden Co. 41 1/2%; Canadian Pacific 14%; J. I. Case 38%; Chrysler 52%; Colgate 30 1/2%; Commercial Solvents 16 1/2%; Corn Products 63%; Du Pont 51 1/2%; Eastman Kodak 42%; Electric 37 1/2%; General Motors 62 1/2%; Goodyear 61%; Goodrich 39 1/2%; Homestead Mining 43 1/2%; International Harvester 26 1/2%; International Paper 54%; International Tel & Tel 8%; John Manville 40 1/2%; Kennecott Copper 45 1/2%; Montgomery Ward 32 1/2%; National Distillers 20 1/2%; National Lead 32%; Packard Motors 4%; Pan American Airways 81 1/2%; Radio Corp. 111 1/2%; Remington Rand 9 1/2%; Republic Steel 19 1/2%; Reynolds Tobacco 30%; Schenley 28%; Sears Roebuck 41 1/2%; Shell Oil 37%; Socony Vacuum 16 1/2%; Standard Pacific 39%; Standard Brands 29 1/2%; Standard Oil of Calif. 60 1/2%; Standard Oil of N. J. 69 1/2%; Studebaker 22 1/2%; Union Bag 23 1/2%; Union Carbide 30 1/2%; U.S. Rubber 33 1/2%; U.S. Steel 22 1/2%; U.S. Lines 14 1/2%; Westinghouse 24 1/2%; Youngstown Sheet & Tube 63 1/2%; Gen. Pub. Utilities 14 1/2%; Railway issues: backed down a trifle in the bond market. U.S. governments held steady.—Associated Press.

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"BENLAWERS" do	2nd half Nov.
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SHIP	TO	LOADING
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"BENAVON" do	15th Oct.	15th Oct.
"BENLEDY" do	Late Oct.	Late Oct.
"BENVENUE" do	1st Nov.	1st Nov.
"BENLAWERS" do	2nd half Nov.	2nd half Nov.
"BENRINNES" Genoa, London, Hull & Leith	End Nov./Early Dec.	End Nov./Early Dec.
"BENCLEUCH" Liverpool, Glasgow, Buoy A-9	29th Sept	



CHINA MAIL

HONG KONG, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1949.

Refreshing



Leveson-Gower's XI Declare At 348 For 5

Scarborough, September 8. H. D. G. Leveson-Gower's XI declared on their overnight total of 348 runs for five when their match against the New Zealanders continued here today. The tourists at lunch time had made 145 for five.

The New Zealanders started disastrously. Rabone was out to the last ball of the first over with five scored, caught by McIntyre standing back to Bedser, and Sutcliffe went in the same manner at 30.

McIntyre claimed his third victim when he caught Smith off Brown with the score at 71. Reid completed 50 in 75 minutes, but was then bowled in trying to drive Wardle.

Brown kept a good length with his flighted slows and when he got Wallace leg before, half the touring side were out for the Bognells, who had been playing soundly, raised the total to 14 with Hadlee by lunch.

Score: Leveson-Gower XI, 1st innings (for 5 declared) 348.

New Zealanders First Innings: Sutcliffe, c McIntyre, b Bedser; Smith, c McIntyre, b Bedser; Rabone, c McIntyre, b Bedser; Reid, b Wardle 50; Smith, c McIntyre, b Brown 18; Bognell, not out 33; Wallace, b w b Brown 16; Hadlee, not out Entries 4 Total (for five) 145

Wednesday's Play

Scarborough, September 7. The New Zealand cricketers began the last match of their tour here today against a strong XI brought together by H. D. Leveson-Gower, which by the close of play had scored 348 for the loss of five wickets.

Joe Hardstaff, the Nottinghamshire batsman, played brilliantly on the easy-paced pitch against a moderate New Zealand attack and was the top scorer of the day with 123.

He batted two hours and 40 minutes and hit 14 fours.

Len Hutton maintained his consistent form by scoring 54 and so raising his season's aggregate to 3,354 and surpassing the previous best for a Yorkshireman, 3,334, by Herbert Sutcliffe in 1932. Now, only Denis Compton, Bill Edrich and Tom Hayward have larger figures to their names for a season.

Czech-Yugoslav Dispute Over Volleyball Games

Belgrade, September 7. Belgrade newspapers reported today that the World Volley Ball Federation had informed Yugoslavia it is "taking steps" to secure Yugoslavia's participation in the international championship at Prague later this month.

Yugoslavia complained on Tuesday that the Czech government had refused visas for members of the Yugoslav team. They said the decision rested with the Czech Foreign Ministry.

But spokesman for the Foreign Ministry were not talking.

They claim of Sokol (National Sports Organisation) authorities that they were trying to help the Yugoslav team.

What was interpreted by Prague observers as an effort to justify themselves before the World Federation.

The Sokol authorities thus could claim that if the Yugoslavs failed to get visas, it was a governmental matter and not a Sports issue and would have to be settled with the Foreign Ministry.

The Bulgarian and Russian teams were the first tournament entrants to arrive in Prague. Drawings will be held on Saturday.

Competitors in the Men's World Championships include Italy, France, Netherlands, Belgium, India, Russia, Romania, Bulgaria, Poland, Hungary and Czechoslovakia.

The European championships for women running concurrently involved teams from France, Holland, Hungary, Rumania, Poland, Russia and Czechoslovakia.—Associated Press.

HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS

London, September 7. The following were the results of football matches played today:

FIRST DIVISION
Chelsea 3 Sunderland 2
Huddersfield 2 Charlton 1
Liverpool 1 Manchester U.
Manchester C. 0 Everton 0
Middlesb. 1 Fulham 0
West Brom. 1 Arsenal 0

SECOND DIVISION
Barnsley 4 Coventry 3
Bradford 1 Luton 2
Chesterfield 2 Swindon 2
Grimbsy 2 Swansea 2
Queen's P. R. 0 Preston N. E. 0

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)
Bournemouth 0 Watford 0
Palace 2 W. Ham. 0
Norwich 4 Aldershot 0
Torquay 5 Newport 0

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)
N. Brighton 1 Stockport 0
Wrexham 0 Bradford C. 0

IRISH FOOTBALL—ULSTER CUP
Cliftonville 0 Larne 0
—Reuter.

SCOTS TROUNCE IRISH

Glasgow, September 7. The Scottish Football League overwhelmed the Irish Football League in an inter-league match here tonight by eight goals to one. The Scottish League were superior in all the departments of the game and their forwards gave the Irish defence a worrying time.

Baill and Deakin both scored hat-tricks for the Scottish League, while Wardle and Ormond completed the scoring. Case scored the Irish League's only goal.

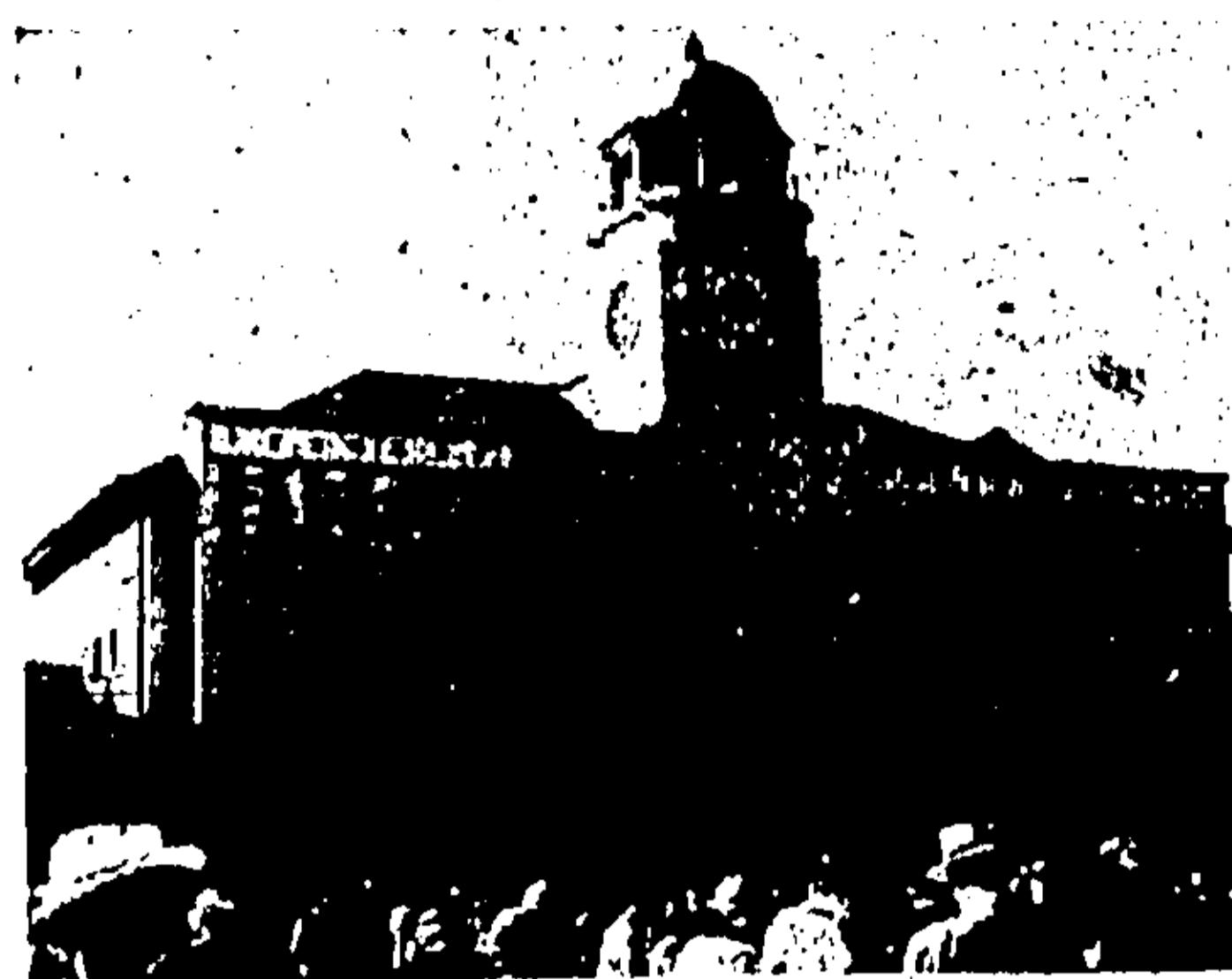
The Scottish League were leading by four goals to one at half-time. A crowd of 50,000 saw the match, which was played at Ibrox Park.—Reuter.

FLORAL TRIBUTES FOR SIR C. AUBREY SMITH

Hove, Sussex, September 7. A bronze casket containing the ashes of Sir C. Aubrey Smith, the veteran film actor and former England cricketer, which was brought from California, was today placed in the family tomb in a corner of St. Barnard's Churchyard, Hove.

Apart from a simple bunch of pink carnations, without any description, only two floral tributes were placed on the tombone of which was a beautiful floral crest from a cricket club of which Sir Aubrey was a Vice-President.—Reuter.

Sydney Totalisator



A general view of the exterior of the main totalisator at Randwick Racecourse, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia. The calculator and indicator machinery for the whole course is housed behind the indicators above the selling windows.

Grand Old Men Of Cricket Honoured

(By DENIS COMPTON)

It isn't easy for the average cricket enthusiast to appreciate just how much sunshine has been brought into the lives of the grand old men of cricket—and some of the not so old—by the decision recently to admit a chosen few into honorary membership of the MCC.

I admit I didn't fully realise it myself until I met the old Hampshire stalwart, Phil Mead, just after he had been told that he was among those honoured.

Phil, now—unhappily sightless, was quite obviously moved and thrilled as he told me it was one of the happiest moments of his life.

Thinking about it afterwards it struck me that the M. C. C. had made a wonderful gesture and one which might well be copied in other sports.

Victorian Outlook

But there are still some bodies with the Victorian outlook. No names, no pack drill, but the sooner they come down off their perches and admit that you can be paid for playing and still be a gentleman, the better for sport.

Sostrand Yard has been on my track. Yes, I had quite a shock when someone rushed into the dressing room at the Oval during the Surrey game and cried: "You're wanted by the Yard, Denz, on the phone. It's urgent."

I picked up the receiver a bit gingerly and a voice at the other end announced a Chief Inspector. Somebody or other, I knew myself for the shock and then he said:

"Can you possibly get me a couple of tickets for the Test match next week?"

A letter I've received from Capt. A. W. Fiddes, of Willehall, Staffs, suggests the formation of a T. A. branch of the Army physical Training Corps and that well-known sportsmen be co-opted with the A. T. C. A. C. F. and similar organisations.

Teaching Technique

The idea, which could embrace all forms of sport, would be for the sporting experts to learn the technique of teaching before passing on their knowledge.

Captain Fiddes maintains that a brilliant sportsman does not necessarily make a brilliant coach and that often he needs to learn something of the art of teaching.

Speaking from Service experience he makes notable exceptions of Tommy Lawton, Matt Busby, Stan Mercer and Billy Wright.

Speaking generally I agree with him.

Alteration To Soccer Schedule

London, September 7. There is one alteration to the English soccer programme for next Saturday, September 10.

The venue of the Third Division Northern match, Doncaster Rovers v. Stockport County, has been reversed owing to the Doncaster St. Leger and the match is now to be played at Stockport County's ground, with the return match at Doncaster on January 14, 1950.

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Other Fixtures Correct

All other fixtures, English and Scottish, are correct as previously reported.

All English mid-week fixtures for next week, Monday, September 12, Tuesday, September 13, Wednesday, September 14, and Thursday, September 15, are also correct as previously reported.

Additional Scottish mid-week fixtures are:

Tuesday, September 13, Glasgow Cup semi-final, Celtic v. Rangers.

Wednesday, September 14, Glasgow Cup semi-final, Clyde v. Third Lanark.—Reuter.

Rivalry For 90 Titles In The British Empire Games

(By HAROLD ABRAHAMS).

From February 4 to February 11, 1950, representatives of the various countries eligible to compete in the British Empire Games will engage in friendly rivalry for just short of 90 "Empire" titles in twelve different sports.

Just in case some careful statistician thinks I am wrong in my total number of sports, I have counted women's swimming and athletics separately, as also men's water polo. This latter, along with fencing and weight-lifting, are included in the Games for the first time.

—a time which is not recognised on a record owing to the strong following wind.

Brilliant Canadian

That brilliant Canadian, J. W. Loaring, won the 440 yards hurdles and was a member of both the winning Canadian relay teams.

In the women's events, Miss Norman, of Australia, excelled with victories in the 100 and 220 yards and the long jump (all with record performance). In addition, she was a member of two winning Australian relay teams.

Miss Dorothy Odam (Mrs. Tyler), whose claim to immortality is assured since she lost two Olympic high jumps after clearing the same height as the winner on each occasion, won the high jump.

What kind of performances are we likely to see at Ateiland next February? The success of the Australians at Wembley last summer suggests that they will be well to the fore, and we may be sure that if Douglas Harris is available for New Zealand in the 880 yards he will go very near to the world record for that event.

Duncan White, of Ceylon (if he decides, after all, to retire and make the trip) seems a good bet for the 440 hurdles.

It is really being rather rash. No man should dare to prophesy so far ahead.—World Sports.

Swallow Tail Joint Favourite With Lone Eagle

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In Sydney, Cyril Holmes won both sprint in 57 secs. and 212 yards, respectively, as fast times as any Englishman has ever achieved anywhere. Bill Kelets, who has reached the final of the Olympic 400 metres in Berlin in 1936, just beat W. Fritz, of Canada (another 1936 finalist) in 47.9 secs. over 440 yards. V. P. Dool, of New Zealand, won the 880 yards in 51.2 secs. and J. W. Alford, of Australia, in a brilliant mile in 4 mins. 11 secs. Alford is now one of England's athletic coaches.

The New Zealanders, C. J. Matthews, won the 3 miles ahead of Peter Ward (England) and for first time British athlete beat 12 minutes for the distance. Matthews also won the 6 miles. The South African, Coleman, who had finished sixth in the 1936 Olympic Marathon and was to finish fourth in London, twelve years later, won the Marathon. Another South African, T. P. Lavery, won the 120 yards hurdles in 14 secs. and 100 to 1 any other.—Reuter.

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